HCS HB 1964 -- SURVIVOR BENEFITS (Walker)

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This bill adds several professions, including air ambulance pilots, air ambulance registered professional nurses, air ambulance registered respiratory therapists, uniformed employees of the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and their children and spouses, and specified emergency medical technicians and their children and spouses to the list of those eligible to receive a public safety officer or employee survivor grant from the Coordinating Board for Higher Education within the Department of Higher Education.

This bill also adds a uniformed employee of the Office of the State Fire Marshal and his or her child and spouse, and specified emergency medical technicians and their children and spouses to the list of those eligible to receive unpaid workers' compensation claims when the employee is killed in the line of duty.

This bill is similar to HB 1527 (2016).